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# Heavenly Executioner CHIV100

With his new and more powerful friends, Chiwoo heads toward Cheong-Mi village to find his father Bi-Hyun. Instead he is greeted by a band of immortal enemies, who have been eagerly awaiting his arrival and are just as eager to take his life. Will he be able to defeat the

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immortals and find his father? Follow the non-stop action in this third book of the series to find out!

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Here's the third volume of  
(Heavenly Executioner: Chiwoo)

Through holidays, overlapping deadlines, and personal hardships, I persevered and finally finished this volume. It's not because my will power is exceptional. What kept me working was the thought that you the readers are waiting for the next instalment of this series. I'm afraid the story is far from perfect, but I still hope that you will still enjoy it.

*Park Kang-ho Artist*

## Little notes from the creators

"The white butterfly was not afraid of the sea because no one had told her how deep it was." This is a line from Kim Ki-rim's *The Sea and the Butterfly*. Chiwoo, like the white butterfly, is moving forward with a bit of recklessness. I know how this story ends. I also know that Chiwoo would have a much more comfortable life if we ended the story right here, but he is destined to move ahead and achieve more. The white butterfly probably represents you and I, as well as the brilliant life we will have.

*Lee Ha-un Writer*

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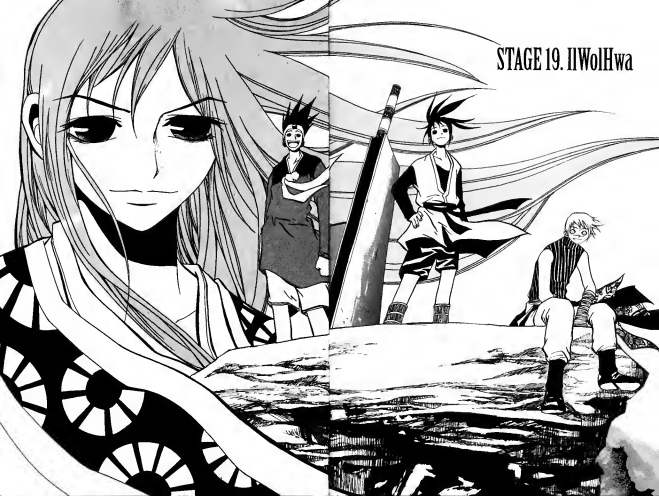


治  
龙  
天  
下



IT'S THE  
END OF THE  
LINE FOR  
YOU, LITTLE  
TWERP!

STAGE 19. IIWoIHwa









CHIWO, I FEEL HOT!!



DON'T JUST STAND THERE! HELP ME PUT IT OUT!!



JUST WHAT KIND OF INSANE POWER WOJ-HYANG AND HWA-HWA REALLY HAVE!

HEH-HEH. YOU'RE ABOUT TO FIND OUT ...

WHOO, THANKS. I THINK WE PUT IT OUT...



WOH! IT LOOKS LIKE SHE CAN GET YOU ON FIRE WITH JUST A HASTY LOOK!

ACK! GOOD THING YOUR ARMS ARE BANDAGED. SHE COULD HAVE CAUSED A LOT MORE DAMAGE THAN SHE DID...



THAT WAS NOTHING! NOW IT'S MY TURN!



YOU'RE REAL SCARY WITH A BROKEN SWORD



WATCH OUT EVERYBODY! LEAVE HER TO ME!













## STAGE 20. Seol-Ha



I'LL GIVE YOU A QUICK AND PAINLESS DEATH. HEH. HEH!

HAH. WHAT SHOULD I DO? MY ENERGY LEVEL IS WAY TOO LOW TO DO ANYTHING WITH MY KARATE.

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR? TERMINATE THEM!!

PHAPHAT

BA-

BOOM

KROCK

PERFECT! YES, YOU SHOULD STICK YOUR NECK OUT JUST LIKE THAT!

THE ENERGY HER HERO'S EMITTING IS OFF THE CHARTS! WHEN DID SHE GET TO BE SO POWERFUL?

TATAT

SWISH









HEY, LMA, GUY,  
NOT TO BE  
UNGRATEFUL,  
BECAUSE YOU  
DID GET US OUT  
OF A TIGHT SPOT,  
BUT WHERE  
ARE WE?



IT'S MY  
SECRET  
HIDEOUT.



IT'S THE  
LEAST I CAN  
DO AFTER YOU  
PULLED OUR  
FAT OUT OF  
THE FIRE  
BACK  
THERE!

THINK  
NOTHING  
OF IT.



IL-MOK, OUR  
COMMON ENEMY,  
HAS THE EYES OF  
THE SUN. HE CAN  
SEE ALL THAT THE  
SUN'S LIGHT  
TOUCHES.

AH-HAI! SO  
WE'RE IN A  
CAVE!  
CLEVER.



PROBABLY  
NOT CLEVER  
ENOUGH...



THE SUN  
MAY NOT SHINE  
IN THIS CAVE  
BUT HE ALMOST  
CERTAINLY  
SAW US  
ENTER IT.

I NEED  
YOU TO  
STAND GUARD  
AT THE MOUTH  
OF THE CAVE  
LET ME KNOW  
WHEN HE  
FINDS US.



IS IT  
OKAY TO  
LEAVE  
CHANG  
HERE?

WELL,  
CHANCE DO  
HE RUN  
WITH HIS  
PARENTS  
DAD?



GOING  
BY MYSELF



GOING  
BY MYSELF



WHA-AM...  
MA-NO...







I CAN BLOCK THIS GUY..



UCK!  
WHAT THE  
HECK WAS  
THAT FOR  
PI



I WAS  
GOING TO  
LET YOU LIVE  
IF YOU TOLD  
THE TRUTH,  
BUT YOUR  
DECEIT HAS  
GUARANTEED  
YOUR  
DEFEAT.



UCK!



..I HOPE! HE'S  
AMAZING!



YOUR  
SKILLS ARE  
WEAK!

HOW  
DARE YOU  
GO AROUND  
PRETENDING  
TO BE A  
MANGNANI!





NOT THE  
BRIGHTEST  
BULB. ARE  
YOU? NOW  
HAND OVER  
YUHYUNGDO.



I KNEW THAT  
THOUSANDS OF  
MEN COVETED  
THIS SWORD AND  
ITS INCREDIBLE  
POWER...

BUT I  
NEVER  
IMAGINED  
A BOY  
LIKE YOU  
WOULD BE  
THE ONE TO  
STEAL IT!

STAY  
AWAY  
FROM  
ME!



I WILL NOT  
SURRENDER  
MY FATHER'S  
SWORD! TO  
YOU OR  
ANYONE!



BOY, YOU'VE  
LEFT ME NO  
CHOICE. I WILL  
SHOW YOU  
WHAT A REAL  
MANGNANI  
CAN DO!



PREPARE  
YOURSELF.

HIS ENERGY  
SUFFOCATING.  
CAN'T BREATHE...

WHIP







CHWOO,  
ARE YOU  
ALL RIGHT?  
WHAT  
HAPPENED?  
WHO IS  
THAT  
DUDE?

MMH...  
YEAH,  
I'M  
FINE.

AND THAT  
"DUDE" IS THE  
HARBINGER  
OF DEATH  
BOUND TO  
YUHYUNGDO.

WHA? THE  
HAR-  
BINGER OF  
DEATH?

THAT BOY IS  
NO MANGNANI.  
YOU HAVE NO  
REASON TO  
OBEY HIM,  
GYEOL.

MASTER  
CHWOO IS  
THE ONLY  
SON OF  
MASTER  
BI-HYUN.

HE IS A  
MANGNANI,  
MASTER  
SEOL-WA!

ARE YOU  
KIDDING? EVERY  
MANGNANI IS BORN  
WITH HIS OWN  
YUHYUNGDO.

IF HE IS  
TRULY A  
MANGNANI,  
WHY IS HE  
CARRYING  
BI-HYUN'S  
SWORD IN  
PLACE OF HIS  
OWN?

THE EXPLANATION  
IS SIMPLE...WHEN ALL  
THE MANGNANIS WERE  
BEING ARRESTED AND  
TAKEN AWAY AFTER  
BI-HYUN'S FAILED  
REBELLION, BABY  
CHWOO WAS  
RUSHED TO  
SAFETY...

IN THEIR  
HASTE, HIS  
YUHYUNGDO  
WAS LEFT  
BEHIND...

IS  
THAT THE  
TRUTH,  
YEO-  
HONG?  
!!

YES  
POSS?





YEO-HONG!



HEH-HEH-HEH-HEH!

YOU'RE SOOO SCARY! 'TIL NEXT TIME, GYEOL!



YES, MASTER SEOL-HAI! EVERY WORD THAT GYEOL HAS SPOKEN IS TRUE.



WHAT?

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME SOONER?



HEH-HEH-HEH. AND WHAT WOULD BE THE FUN IN THAT? I'D MISS THE JOY OF SEEING THAT PECULIAR LOOK OF ALARM ON GYEOL'S FACE...



EMP HE JUST VANISHED! I'M SO CONFUSED!



THE SON OF BI-HYUN ...



I ACTED... RASHLY. I'M SORRY, CHIWOO.



HA-HA! NO WORRIES. THANK GOODNESS FOR GYEOL, RIGHT?!



IT DIDN'T LOOK  
LIKE YOU WERE  
HOW TO HANDLE  
YUHRYUNGDOO  
VERY WELL.



YOU DON'T KNOW  
ANYTHING ABOUT  
PUNG-BAEK,  
MOON-SA, OR  
MOO-SA.  
DO YOU?



PUNG-BAEK,  
MOON-SA,  
MOO-SA.  
WHAT-TH?



DOES THAT  
MEAN I CAN DO  
THAT SUFFO-  
CATING TRICK  
YOU DID  
BEFORE?



WELL,  
IN THEORY,  
YES. BUT  
CHIWOOD...



THE  
YUHRYUNGDOO  
YOU'RE  
CARRYING  
SEEMS TO BE  
MISSING THOSE  
SPIRITS. I'M  
SURE GYEOL  
KNOWS THE  
REASON...



THIS IS  
NO JOKE, BOY.  
GOD GRANTED THE  
MANGNANGS BOTH  
GREAT PHYSICAL POWER  
AND SOMETHING...  
MORE... A PIECE OF  
THE DIVINE AS  
WELL.

A YUHRYUNGDOO  
SYMBOLIZES  
THAT DIVINE  
POWER AND THE  
OWNER OF A  
YUHRYUNGDOO...



...CONTROLS NOT  
ONLY THE HARBINGER  
OF DEATH, BUT THE  
SPIRITS, PUNG-BAEK,  
MOON-SA AND  
MOO-SA WHICH  
BELONG TO THE  
SWORD.



DUN  
DUN  
DUN

WHOA!  
HE'S  
BACK!



WHEN  
MASTER  
BI-HYUN TOOK  
OFF, LEAVING HIS  
YUHRYUNGDOO  
BEHIND, THE  
SPIRITS  
DISAPPEARED  
TOO.



WELL,  
THE WORLD  
COMING TOGETHER  
A MANGNANG  
ABANDONING HIS  
YUHRYUNG-  
DOO.

AND  
RUNS AWAY,  
ABANDONING  
HIS GOD-GIVEN  
RESPONSIBILI-  
TIES...



I'M  
SORRY.







IF YOU SAY  
TO "STOP" I  
MUST STOP.  
WHAT CHOICE  
DO I HAVE?



WHAT  
WERE YOU  
THINKING?  
SIMPLE SUICIDE?  
I NEARLY CUT  
YOU IN  
HALF!



I TOLD  
YOU TO  
DROP IT,  
YU-RI!



MASTER  
YI-YUN! YOU  
SAVED US  
ONCE AGAIN.  
THANK YOU!



FINE  
VERY WELL  
THEN  
HA-HA!

ALL  
OF YOU,  
GO.

HA-HA  
GRRR



## Heavenly Executioner Chiwoo In the Context of History

### HEAVENLY EMPEROR, THE ABSOLUTE RULER OF CHIWO'S WORLD.

HEAVENLY EMPEROR LITERALLY MEANS "GOD" OR "THE RULER OF THE HEAVENS". OBVIOUSLY, WE CAN SEE THE ARROGANCE OF THE MAN WHO CALLS HIMSELF THE "HEAVENLY EMPEROR". SEVERAL KINGS IN HUMAN HISTORY HAVE USED THE TITLE HEAVENLY EMPEROR. THE MYTH OF JUMONG TELLS US ABOUT ONE SUCH KING.

THE MYTH OF JUMONG IS A STORY ABOUT THE BIRTH OF GOGURYO. HAEMOSU, THE SON OF THE HEAVENLY EMPEROR FALLS IN LOVE WITH YU-HWA, THE FIRST DAUGHTER OF HA-BAEK. HA-BAEK WHO REGRETS THE FACT THAT HAEMOSU TOOK HIS DAUGHTER WITHOUT ASKING HIM FOR HER HAND, TURNS HIMSELF INTO A CARP IN THE POND WHILE AT THE SAME TIME DEMANDING A PROOF THAT HAEMOSU IS A REAL SON OF THE HEAVENLY EMPEROR. IN RESPONSE, HAEMOSU TRANSFORMS HIMSELF INTO AN OTTER AND CATCHES THE CARP THAT HA-BAEK HAS BECOME. HA-BAEK TAKES THE SHAPE OF A DEER AND RUNS AWAY. TURNING INTO A WOLF, HAEMOSU CHASES HIM BUT HA-BAEK BECOMES A PHEASANT AND FLIES AWAY. HAEMOSU TRANSFORMS INTO A FALCON AND FINALLY CATCHES HIM. NOW CONVINCED THAT HAEMOSU IS TRULY A SON OF THE HEAVENLY EMPEROR, HA-BAEK PERMITS HIS DAUGHTER TO MARRY HAEMOSU. AT THE BANQUET, HOWEVER, HA-BAEK IS AFRAID THAT HAEMOSU MIGHT ASCEND TO HIS HEAVENLY DWELLING WITHOUT YU-HWA. WHEN HAEMOSU IS QUITE DRUNK, HA-BAEK PUTS THE NEWLY WEDS IN A SMALL LEATHER CART AND SENDS THEM OFF TO HEAVEN TOGETHER. HAEMOSU, HOWEVER, WAKES UP AND TEARING THE LEATHER WALL OF THE CART WITH YU-HWA'S HAIRPIN, FLIES OFF TO HEAVEN BY HIMSELF. FURIOUS, HA-BAEK BLAMES YU-HWA FOR DISGRACING THE FAMILY. HE STRETCHES HER MOUTH AND CHASSES HER OUT OF THE HOUSE. YU-HWA MEETS THE KING OF DONGBUYESO, GELMWA. AFTER CUTTING OFF HER LIPS THREE TIMES, YU-HWA IS ABLE TO TELL HIM ABOUT WHO SHE IS. RECOGNIZING HER NOBLE STATUS, KING GELMWA ALLOWS HER TO STAY IN HIS GUEST ROOM. THERE, YU-HWA IS IMPREGNATED BY THE SUNLIGHT AND GIVES BIRTH TO A LARGE EGG THROUGH HER LEFT ARMPIIT. BELIEVING IT TO BE AN LI OMEN, KING GELMWA ORDERS THE EGG TO BE THROWN AWAY, BUT WHEN HE HEARS THAT THE EGG IS BEING PROTECTED BY ALL KINDS OF ANIMALS, HE BRINGS THE EGG BACK TO THE PALACE AND ALLOWS YU-HWA TO RAISE IT. THE CHILD BORN OF THAT EGG IS JUMONG WHO LATER BUILDS THE NATION OF GOGURYO.

AS YOU CAN SEE, THE HEAVENLY EMPEROR IN KOREAN HISTORY IS QUITE LITERALLY GOD. WHY DID THE KING IN CHIWOO'S STORY DEIFY HIMSELF BY USING THE TITLE, THE HEAVENLY EMPEROR?

IN KOREAN HISTORY, WE OCCASIONALLY SEE RULERS WHO TRIED TO JUSTIFY THEIR ABSOLUTE POWER AND FURTHER SECURE THEIR POSITION BY PRESENTING THEMSELVES AS EXTRAORDINARY OR ABOVE-HUMAN BEINGS. IS SOVEREIGNTY SO FRAGILE THAT A DIVINE LINEAGE IS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN IT? LET US MULL OVER THIS QUESTION WHILE EXAMINING THE LIVES OF SEVERAL KINGS IN OUR HISTORY.

DO YOU KNOW THAT DURING THE CHOSUN DYNASTY ALONE, SEVEN KINGS AND ONE PRINCE BECAME TARGETS OF AN ASSASSINATION PLOT? WHETHER THE PLOT ITSELF WAS REAL OR NOT CANNOT BE DETERMINED WITH ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY, BUT THE MERE FACT OF ITS EXISTENCE TELLS US THAT THE KING'S SOVEREIGNTY HAD BEEN CHALLENGED TIME AND OVER AGAIN. IN ADDITION TO THESE EIGHT FIGURES, TWO PRINCES, PRINCE YEONSAN AND PRINCE GWANGHAE, WERE OUSTED BY THEIR RETAINERS, AND PRINCE SADO WAS KILLED BY THE ORDER OF HIS OWN FATHER, THE KING. THE SON OF PRINCE SADO, KING JEONGJO, WAS ONE OF THE SEVEN KINGS WHO BECAME A TARGET OF AN ASSASSINATION PLOT.

THE KINGS OF CHOSUN TOOK THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR NATURAL DISASTERS. IN RESPONSE TO FLOOD, DROUGHT, FIRE, EARTHQUAKES AS WELL AS ECLIPSE AND OTHER STRANGE NATURAL PHENOMENA, THE KING WOULD FAST AND REPENT AS THOUGH THEY THEMSELVES PROVIDED THE CAUSE. THEREFORE, NATURAL DISASTERS BECAME A TOOL FOR CHECKING THE SOVEREIGN POWER. FURTHERMORE, BEFORE AND DURING THE PERIOD OF THREE KINGDOMS WHEN KOREA WAS NOT YET A UNIFIED NATION, POWERFUL CLANS AND A THREAT OF WAR WITH NEIGHBORING NATIONS CONSTANTLY UNDERMINED SOVEREIGN AUTHORITY, MAKING IT NECESSARY FOR THE KINGS TO SEEK MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN THEIR POSITION.



STAGE 22. The Wheel of Fortune





OH,  
YOU  
DIDN'T  
COME TO  
TALK...



YOU CAME  
HERE TO  
COMPLAIN.  
HEH-HEH-  
HEH.



YU-RI!  
WHY DID  
YOU STEAL  
MY JOB?



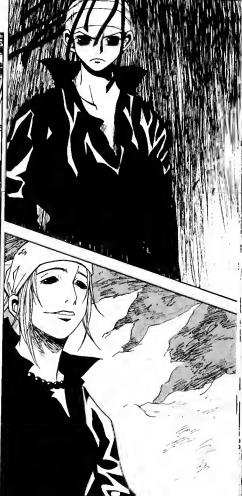
OH,  
YI-YUN... YOU  
SHOULDN'T  
THINK LIKE  
THAT.



IF YOU DID  
YOUR JOB WITH  
THE MANGNANI,  
NONE OF THIS  
WOULD HAVE  
HAPPENED.



IT'S REALLY  
ALL YOUR  
FAULT, YI-YUN!  
AND WHAT'S  
MORE, YOU'RE  
SO HOMELESSLY  
SOFT THAT  
YOU BELIEVE  
IT!







I SIMPLY  
CAN'T SIT  
IDLE AND  
WATCH  
THEIR SOULS  
DROP TO HELL.



EVEN IF I  
DON'T TAKE  
THEIR LIVES,  
THEY WILL DIE  
ANYWAY. THEIR  
EXECUTION  
DATE IS SET.



IT MAY BE  
TOMORROW, OR  
PERHAPS IN A  
MONTH, BUT IT  
IS CERTAIN  
REGARDLESS...



I DON'T KNOW  
WHAT YOU'RE  
TALKING ABOUT  
AND I DON'T CARE!  
I JUST WANT  
TO RESCUE UNCLE  
WOL-BAEK AND GO  
BACK TO THE LIFE  
WE HAD BEFORE.



IF THIS IS  
THE FATE  
MY FATHER  
LEFT  
ME, I WISH  
I DIDN'T  
HAVE A  
FATHER!



IF  
YOU'RE  
NOT UP  
TO THIS  
TASK,  
LEAVE  
YUMRYUNG-  
DO BEHIND.



IF THEY  
DON'T DIE BY  
A MANGNANI'S  
HAND, THEY LOSE  
THEIR ONLY CHANCE  
FOR SALVATION.



NEITHER  
YOU NOR  
BI-HYUN IS  
WORTHY  
OF IT!



IF YOU ARE  
HARD-HEARTED  
ENOUGH TO  
IGNORE THEIR  
DAMNATION, THEN  
PERHAPS YOU CAN  
ESCAPE YOUR FATE  
AS A MANGNANI,  
CHIWOO!



FINE!  
TAKE IT!



UNCLE SEOL-HA,  
DID YOU HAVE  
TO BE SO  
HARSH?  
REMEMBER,  
CHINWO GREW  
UP NOT  
KNOWING  
ANYTHING  
ABOUT HIS  
NANGHANI  
DESTINY!

HE TRIES TO  
KEEP UP A TOUGH  
GUY FACADE, BUT  
WITH EVERYTHING  
HE'S BEEN  
THROUGH IN THE  
PAST FEW  
DAYS--EVERYTHING  
THAT HE'S  
LEARNED ABOUT  
HIMSELF--IT'S  
ALMOST TOO  
MUCH FOR HIM!

I MAY  
NOT KNOW  
WHAT HE WENT  
THROUGH BUT  
I KNOW  
WHAT'S  
IMPORTANT

HA-HA! YOU  
ALMOST HAD  
ME GOING.  
MAN, HA!

I'VE SEEN A  
GREAT  
GENERAL--  
AND I'LL  
TELL YOU,  
HE WAS  
NOTHIN'  
SPECIAL

HE  
EVEN  
RAN  
AWAY  
WHEN  
HE SAW  
ME!

IF HE  
CONTINUES  
DOWN HIS  
CURRENT  
PATH, YOU  
ALL WILL  
SURELY  
DIE.

WHAT  
THE HECK  
ARE YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT?  
DIEP US?  
WHY?

WHAT WAS  
HIS NAME? P  
AH, "YI-YUN"!  
I THINK THAT  
WAS IT...WHAT  
A "GREAT  
GENERAL"

YOU MUST BE  
MISTAKEN.

NO!!  
I AM  
NOT!!

THE FACT THAT  
IL-MACK HAS BEEN  
TALKING TO YOU MEANS  
YOU'RE BEING TARGETED  
BY THE FOUR GREAT  
GENERALS.

AND AT  
YOUR LEVEL,  
YOU'RE NO MATCH  
FOR A MINOR  
GENERAL... LET  
ALONE A GREAT  
GENERAL.

AND CHINWO...  
IF HE CONTINUES  
TO AIMLESSLY GO  
ON WITHOUT A  
SENSE OF PURPOSE  
OR IDENTITY, HE'LL  
END UP RUNNING  
AWAY, ABANDON-  
ING US ALL...

JUST  
LIKE  
HE DID  
MOMENTS  
AGO.

YOU'RE IN  
WAY OVER YOUR  
HEAD! YOU HAVE  
NO IDEA WHAT  
THE GREAT  
GENERALS ARE  
CAPABLE OF!!

WHEN THEY  
FIGHT, THEY  
DEVASTATE  
EVERYTHING  
AROUND THEM

KRA-KOOM

WHIRRRICK



HAI HAI!  
ARE YOU  
TRYING TO  
BRING THE  
BUILDING  
DOWN?



OH, DON'T  
HOLD BACK!  
THIS SHOULD  
BE GOOD!  
HAN-HAN!



HUH? YOU'RE  
MORFOSING  
A LITTLE  
THOUGH  
AND THOUGH!



A GREAT  
GENERAL  
SHOULD  
ALWAYS  
GO FOR  
THE  
KILL!





**KKKWAACK**

LIKE  
THIS!

MA-NO, IF  
YOU'VE TRULY  
ENCOUNTERED A  
GREAT GENERAL AND  
LIVED TO TELL THE  
TALE, IT'S NOTHING  
SHORT OF A  
MIRACLE.



## STAGE 23. A Smile in the Middle of an Ordinary Day









AND YI-YUN, AREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE UNDER HOUSE-ARREST? WHY ARE YOU HERE?



NEHE, I'M SORRY, BUN-HU! I'VEN' DID AN' ABOVE. I HAD THE ONE WHO PICKED THIS FIGHT!



MY APOLOGIES TO YOU, AS WELL, YI-YUN! I'VE BEEN FEELING A LITTLE ON EDGE SINCE I DISPATCHED ILWOLNAH AFTER THE MANGNANIS.



LET HIM BE, BUN-HU. IT WILL BE GOOD FOR HIM TO OBSERVE THE CREATIONS IN ACTION SO THAT HE CAN LEARN AND IMPROVE FUTURE MODELS.



YI-YUN WOULD NEVER BETRAY HIS FATHER, THE HEAVENLY EMPEROR, AND START CARING FOR THOSE MANGNANIS.



WHATP ILWOLNAH!

NO! THEY'RE NOT READY! THEY'RE STILL IN THE TESTING STAGE!



OH, DON'T BE MODEST. I'M SURE THEY'RE AS GREAT AS YOUR OTHER CREATIONS!



I BET THEY'VE ALREADY TAKEN CARE OF THOSE PESKY MANGNANIS. HEH-HEH-HEH.



I MUST GO.



WHERE TO? YOU'RE NOT HEADED TO GACHONGRI VILLAGE, ARE YOU, YI-YUN?



OH! AND DON'T FRET, YI-YUN ...



I'LL SPEAK TO THE HEAVENLY EMPEROR ON YOUR BEHALF. HAVE A PLEASANT TRIP! HEH-HEH!



WHAT ARE YOU GETTING AT, YU-RIP? IF YI-YUN VISITS CHEONGRI VILLAGE NOW, HE MIGHT REALIZE THAT THE HEAVENLY EMPEROR HAS BEEN DECEIVING HIM...



SO WHATP HEH-HEH-HEH!



YU-RIP!



OH, DON'T  
GET YOUR  
UNDIES IN A  
BUNDLE!

IT'S NOT  
LIKE IT MATTERS  
IF YI-YUN TURNS  
AGAINST US,  
NOW DOES  
IT?



WHY DO  
YOU HATE  
YI-YUN SO  
MUCH?



WENT ALL  
FLIPPING  
BLOWING  
TO THE  
HEAVENLY  
BUNNIES!

WENT ALL  
FLIPPING  
BLOWING  
TO THE  
HEAVENLY  
BUNNIES!



BUT AS  
SOON AS HE  
TAKES THAT  
FIRST  
STEP...



...HE'LL  
FALL AND  
SHATTER—  
SHATTER  
INTO A  
MILLION  
PIECES.



YI-YUN IS  
THE ONLY  
ONE WITH  
EMOTIONS  
OF HIS  
OWN—THE  
ONLY ONE  
WHO CAN  
FOLLOW  
HIS OWN  
HEART.



BUT HE'S  
BOUND BY THE  
PUPPET STRINGS  
AND THEY  
PREVENT HIM  
FROM DOING  
WHAT HE TRULY  
WANTS TO DO.



EVENTUALLY,  
HE'LL TRY TO  
BREAK FREE, TO  
RECLAIM BOTH  
HIS FREEDOM  
AND COMMAND  
OF HIS OWN  
BODY...



AND I WANT  
NOTHING MORE  
THAN TO WATCH IT  
HAPPEN WITH MY  
OWN EYES!  
HEH-HEH-HEH.







YIPPEE! WATCH HIM DANCE!  
WHAT'S THE NAME OF THIS GAME? IT'S SO FUN!



WHAT ON EARTH IS HE DOING?  
HE'S NOT GOING TO KILL MY FATHER...IS HE?



WATCH VERY CAREFULLY, YI-YUN!



THAT MAN WILL BECOME YOUR SWORN ENEMY FOR THE REST OF YOUR DAYS.



THAT'S RIGHT...  
THERE'S NO  
REASON TO  
HESITATE.

THE MINOR  
GENERALS  
CREATED WITH  
MY FATHER'S  
RESEARCH  
SHOULD MAKE  
SHORT WORK  
OF CHIWOO

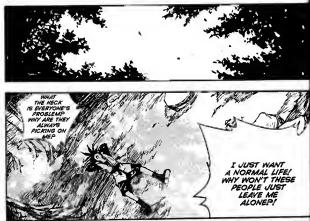


FATHER  
!!



THERE'S NO WAY  
HE STANDS EVEN  
THE SLIGHTEST  
CHANCE AGAINST  
THEM...

## STAGE 24. There is No Hero in This World







WHO...WHO'S THERE?



TOK



BI...

MASTER BI-HYUN?



I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!  
IT'S REALLY YOU! HERE!  
NOW!



NO, NO. I'M SORRY.  
YOU'RE MISTAKEN.  
BI-HYUN'S MY FATHER--  
I'M CHINGHO.

SH?



CHINGHO? MASTER BI-HYUN'S SON?



UM, YEAH, NOW WHO ARE YOU?



OF COURSE, MY APOLOGIES...YOU'RE SO YOUNG...YOU COULDN'T POSSIBLY BE MASTER BI-HYUN...BUT IT'S JUST THAT YOU LOOK SO MUCH LIKE HIM...

UM...



THERE'S SOMETHING I REALLY WANTED TO TELL HIM...



WELL, TELL ME!

I'LL BE SURE TO PASS ALONG THE MESSAGE AS SOON AS I FIND HIM!



YOU'D DO THAT FOR ME?

OF COURSE!

MY ONLY SON  
WAS EXECUTED  
BY MASTER  
BI-HYUN.

THAP

I'M SO  
SORRY!! I  
CAN'T TELL  
YOU HOW  
SORRY...

REALLY...

I'M...SO  
SORRY!!

SOBT

WHAT?  
MY DAD...  
EXECUTED  
...P

YES  
...

MY FATHER...

OH, THERE'S  
NO REASON TO  
APOLOGIZE!!

I FEEL  
INDEBTED  
TO MASTER  
BI-HYUN.

WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN?



MY SON KILLED  
FIVE INNOCENT  
PEOPLE IN THE  
NAME OF  
GREED.



SOMEONE  
HAD LEFT HIM  
ON THE  
MOUNTAIN TO  
DIE. AS SOON  
AS I LAID MY  
EYES ON  
HIM...

I KNEW  
THAT HE  
WAS MY SON,  
REINCARNATED.



EVEN I  
THOUGHT  
HE WAS A  
TERRIBLE  
PERSON.

BUT EVEN SO, AS  
HIS MOTHER, I  
COULDN'T HELP  
BUT LOVE HIM...



I KNEW  
THAT AN  
EXECUTION  
CARRIED OUT  
BY A MANG-  
NANI WOULD  
SAVE MY  
SON'S SOUL...  
I STILL FELT  
ANGRY  
WHEN HE  
DIED...



BUT MASTER  
BI-HYUN... HE  
SHOWED ME PROOF  
THAT MY SON  
WOULD HAVE  
ANOTHER CHANCE  
AT LIFE, JUST LIKE  
EVERYONE ELSE.



PROOF  
WHAT KIND  
OF PROOF?



HIM.

GIGGLE  
GIGGLE



GOD GAVE  
ME AN OPPORTU-  
NITY TO RAISE MY  
SON AGAIN. THAT  
COULDN'T HAVE  
HAPPENED WITHOUT  
WHAT MASTER  
BI-HYUN DID.



WHOA...



HE GAVE  
MY SON  
ANOTHER  
CHANCE! TO  
LIVE THIS PURE,  
INNOCENT LIFE,  
DESPITE ALL THE  
SINS HE HAD  
COMMITTED.



BUT...BUT  
HOW CAN  
YOU KNOW  
THAT THIS IS  
YOUR SON?



I CARRIED  
MY SON IN  
MY WOMB  
FOR 10 MONTHS...



I RAISED HIM...  
I WATCHED  
OVER HIM FOR  
THIRTY YEARS  
UNTIL HIS  
DEATH...



YOU  
SHOULDN'T  
SAY SUCH  
THINGS. YOU'RE  
SUPPOSED TO  
SAVE THE  
WORLD.



HE MAY LOOK  
DIFFERENT, BUT  
HOW CAN I NOT  
RECOGNIZE MY  
OWN CHILD? MY  
OWN SON...



A MOTHER KNOWS.  
EVERY MOTHER  
KNOWS.



BUT, MASTER  
CHIWOOD, I MUST  
BE WASTING  
YOUR TIME  
HERE. YOU MUST  
BE VERY BUSY,  
YES?



MRP  
I'M NOT  
BUSY AT  
ALL. I QUIT  
MY JOB.



NOT ME.  
I DON'T  
HAVE WHAT IT  
TAKES--NOT  
THE COURAGE  
AND NOT THE  
ENERGY.



YOU'RE  
WRONG. SO  
VERY WRONG.  
YOU HAVE  
COURAGE.

I CAN SEE YOUR  
HEART--WARM AND  
CARING--YOU CAN'T  
IGNORE THE POOR, THE  
OPRESSED, AND THE  
WEAK. YOU HAVE  
COURAGE FOR THEM.  
THAT MAKES YOU THE  
SAVIOR OF THE  
WORLD.



YOUR  
DOUBTS  
ARE REAL,  
THEY  
MAKE YOU  
HUMAN.  
BUT YOU  
CAN  
OVERCOME  
THEM.



IF YOU ARE HARD-  
HEARTED ENOUGH  
TO IGNORE THEIR  
DAMNATION, THEN  
PERHAPS YOU CAN  
ESCAPE YOUR FATE  
AS A MANGNANI,  
CHIWOO!



BUT HOW  
DO YOU  
KNOW ALL  
THIS?

HA-HA.  
THAT'S THE  
BENEFIT OF  
OLD AGE.  
I CAN SEE  
THINGS, FEEL  
THINGS...



TRIVIAL  
THINGS LIKE  
WEATHER AND  
THE MORE  
IMPORTANT  
WINDS THAT  
BLOW CHANGE  
THROUGH OUR  
WORLD...



I SEE THE  
WARMTH THAT  
FILLS YOUR  
EYES.

THUNDER



I THINK I  
FINALLY  
UNDERSTAND  
WHAT UNCLE  
SEOL-HA AND  
EVERYONE  
ELSE WAS  
TALKING  
ABOUT.

FIRE!

THE  
DEATHROW'S  
ON FIRE!

FIRE!  
FIRE!

SWISH

DEATHROWP

TOK!

PANT

PANT

HUH?

CRACKLE

WHAT...  
WHAT  
IS  
THAT?!

THAT  
GIGANTIC  
HOLE?!





## STAGE 25. Chaos









LISTEN  
CAREFULLY,  
YI-YUN.



YOUR FATHER,  
HARU, DID THIS  
RESEARCH IN  
ORDER TO  
SAVE LIVES.



YOUR FATHER,  
HARU, KNEW  
THIS TRUTH  
AND SEARCHED  
FOR A WAY TO  
CHANGE IT.

HIS DESIRE  
TO SAVE LIVES  
CONSUMED  
HIM--HIS SACRED  
DUTY AS A DOCTOR  
OVERTOOK ALL  
ELSE UNTIL ALL  
WAR WAS INEVI-  
TABLE BUT COULD  
HE HELP THE  
CASUALTIES?



SINCE  
MANKIND'S RISE TO  
POWER, THE WORLD  
HAS YET TO  
EXPERIENCE A  
SINGLE DAY OF  
PEACE.

NOT  
A SINGLE  
DAY.



ENDLESS  
WARS.

WARS  
WITHOUT VICTORS.  
ONLY VICTIMS.



THE FRUIT OF  
HIS LABOR--THE  
PRODUCT OF HIS  
BLOOD AND  
SWEAT--IT'S IN  
YOUR HANDS  
RIGHT NOW. IN  
THE BOOK YOU  
HOLD!

HYWALSINSUL,  
THE SPELL TO  
REVIVE DEAD  
PEOPLE!



THE DEAD  
RETURNED TO LIFE BY  
MEANS OF HWALSINJUL.  
HAVE NO SOULS. NO  
DESIRE. THEY ARE THE  
IMMORTAL UNDEAD  
LIVING ONLY TO ANSWER  
THEIR MASTER'S EVERY  
ORDER

USING THEM  
IN WAR WOULD  
REDUCE HUMAN  
LOSS BY HALF.  
AT LEAST! WHAT A  
BRILLIANT  
ACCOMPLISHMENT  
IT WOULD HAVE  
BEEN!



BUT HE DIED AT  
THE HANDS OF A  
MANGNANI BEFORE  
HE COMPLETED HIS  
RESEARCH...



!!



SO YI-YUN,  
I WANT TO ASK  
YOU TO DO  
SOMETHING.



WILL YOU  
CONTINUE  
YOUR FATHER'S  
WORK?



ANSWER ME!  
YOU DIDN'T  
HAVE A SOUL  
WHEN I  
BROUGHT  
YOU BACK TO  
LIFE. WHAT  
HAPPENED?



WHAT ARE  
YOU? HOW DID  
THIS HAPPEN?!



DID  
YOU SET  
THIS PLACE  
ON FIRE?



THAT...  
THAT IS...



WOL-HYANG,  
HYA-HYA,  
BRING ME THE  
MANGNIAN'S  
HEAD!



FOOL! YOU  
JUMP INTO A  
FIGHT WITHOUT  
A SWORD!



YI-YUN!  
IS THIS  
YOUR HANDY  
WORK?



MASTER  
YI-YUN, I  
WILL ANSWER  
ALL YOUR  
QUESTIONS—  
ONCE WE'VE  
FINISHED THIS  
MANGNIAN  
FOR GOOD!

WHAT?



AAACK!









STAGE 26. Human







HUHP  
WHAT'S  
YOUR GAME,  
MAN?

DIDN'T  
YOU CREATE  
THOSE FREAKS  
AND START  
THAT FIRE?

JUST GO!!  
YOU'RE NO  
MATCH FOR  
THEM!!

BUT YOU  
CAN SAVE  
THOSE  
PEOPLE!

IT DOESN'T  
MATTER WHAT  
YOU THINK...

THERE  
IS NO TIME FOR  
DISCUSSION!

BLAH-BLAH-  
BLAH! YOU KEEP  
TALKING AND  
PEOPLE WILL  
KEEP DYING!

LOOK! IT'S  
POINTLESS TO  
FIGHT THESE  
"IMMORTALS".  
THEY CAN'T  
EVEN FEEL  
PAIN!

I GUESS  
YOU'D KNOW,  
BEING THEIR  
CREATOR!

HA-HA,  
MASTER  
YI-YUNG!

I ORDER  
YOU TO  
STOP  
EVERYTHING  
AND GO  
BACK!

HEH-HEH,  
THAT'S NOT  
POSSIBLE!

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
DOING?

WHAT?

MASTER YU-RI  
ORDERED US  
TO KILL THE  
MANGNANI.

YOU  
WOULD  
DISOBEY  
ME?

HEH-HEH.  
WELL, YOU'RE  
DISOBEYING  
THE HEAVENLY  
EMPEROR.  
AREN'T YOU?

WE'LL HAVE  
TO KILL YOU,  
AS WELL!  
HEH-HEH!

QUIET!  
THAT IS NONE OF  
YOUR CONCERN!  
STOP THIS  
ACTION OR I  
WILL BE FORCED  
TO RETIRE ALL  
OF YOU RIGHT  
NOW!

MASTER  
YI-YUN...  
WE ARE SIMPLY  
FOLLOWING  
MASTER YU-RI'S  
ORDERS...

BUT IT WAS  
YOU WHO GAVE  
US LIFE BACK.  
YOU ARE OUR  
"FATHER"...

IF YOU  
REALLY  
WISH US TO  
WITHDRAW,  
WE HAVE  
NO CHOICE  
...

I WONDER  
HOW LONG  
YOU WILL LAST,  
MASTER  
YI-YUN.

FIVE  
HOURS  
?

REALLY?  
YOU THINK  
SO LITTLE OF  
WHAT HE IS A  
GREAT GENERAL.  
AFTER ALL, I  
GAVE HIM AT  
LEAST TEN  
HOURS.

HAVE YOU  
LOST YOUR  
MINDS?

HAH-HAH!  
NO MATTER  
HOW STRONG  
YOU ARE, YOU  
CANNOT KILL  
THOSE WHO  
CANNOT DIE!!

GO!  
WOL-HYANG  
HWA-HWA!



TRAITORS! I  
THOUGHT I'D  
SPARE YOU WHEN  
YOU CALLED ME  
"FATHER" BUT  
YOUR TREACHERY  
MEANS YOUR  
DOOM!



HEH-HEH-HEH.  
IF ONLY YOU'D  
KNOWN...OUR VERY  
FIRST CRIME.  
THE ONE BEFORE  
ALL OTHERS...  
IT WAS...

PATRICIDE



FITTING  
THAT WE  
SHOULD  
GET  
ANOTHER  
SUCH  
OPPORTU-  
NITY  
AFTER  
OUR  
REBIRTH!









STOP,  
MASTER  
CHIWO!  
HE'S NOT  
HUMAN!  
HE'S...



## Heavenly Executioner Chiwoo In the Context of History

### THE THIRST FOR POWER CAN BE THICKER THAN BLOOD

SOMETIMES WE IMAGINE WHAT OUR LIVES WOULD HAVE BEEN LIKE IF WE HAD BEEN BORN ROYALTY. HAVING EVERYTHING WE WANT, EATING THE BEST FOOD, WEARING THE BEST CLOTHES—BECAUSE IT MEANT HAVING THE BEST OF EVERYTHING. PEOPLE HAVE ALWAYS ADMIRER ROYALTY AND DREAMED OF BELONGING TO IT. BUT THERE IS A PRICE FOR EVERYTHING. ACQUISITION OF POWER IS ALMOST ALWAYS ACCOMPANIED BY BLOODSHED AND SACRIFICES. WE CAN GLIMPSE THE TRUE NATURE OF POWER THROUGH THE LIFE OF PRINCE GWANGHAE.

PRINCE GWANGHAE WAS NEITHER INCOMPETENT NOR DESPOTIC, BUT NONETHELESS, HE WAS OUSTED BY A COUP D'ÉTAT. HIS FATHER, KING SEONJU, WAS THE CAUSE OF PRINCE GWANGHAE'S DOWNFALL. KING SEONJU'S FIRST WIFE, QUEEN LI-IN WAS UNABLE TO CONCEIVE A CHILD, BUT KING SEONJU HAD THIRTEEN SONS AND TEN DAUGHTERS FROM SIX ROYAL CONCUBINES. PRINCE GWANGHAE AND PRINCE IMHAE WERE THE CHILDREN OF THE GONG CONCUBINE AND PRINCE LI-AN AND PRINCE SINSEONG WERE THE CHILDREN OF THE IN CONCUBINE. PRINCE GWANGHAE WAS FAVORED AS THE NEXT CROWN PRINCE BECAUSE PRINCE IMHAE, THE FIRSTBORN, DISPLAYED A VIOLENT AND TEMPERAMENTAL DISPOSITION. KING SEONJU, HOWEVER, DID NOT ALLOW PRINCE GWANGHAE TO BECOME THE CROWN PRINCE. PRINCE GWANGHAE WAS NOT ONLY A SON OF A CONCUBINE BUT A SECOND SON, NOT THE FIRST, AND FURTHERMORE, KING SEONJU FAVORED THE IN CONCUBINE AND WANTED HER SON, PRINCE SINSEONG TO BECOME THE NEXT KING. AROUND THIS TIME, JAPAN INVADDED KOREA AND THE WAR WHICH CAME TO BE KNOWN AS IM-JIN-WAERAN THREW THE COUNTRY INTO TURMOIL. IT BECAME NECESSARY TO CHOOSE THE CROWN PRINCE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND KING SEONJU WAS FORCED TO APPOINT PRINCE GWANGHAE AS THE CROWN PRINCE. WHAT AWAITED THE NEW CROWN PRINCE GWANGHAE WAS NOT LUXURY AND GLORY BUT THE BURDEN OF RESCUING A COUNTRY IN CRISIS. PRINCE GWANGHAE PERSONALLY FOUGHT THE BATTLES, ORGANIZED CITIZENS' BATTALIONS, AND SUPERVISED THE DISTRIBUTION OF MILITARY SUPPLIES. HE BECAME THE FORCE THAT UNITED PEOPLE. IN CONTRAST, KING SEONJU ABANDONED THE CAPITAL AS SOON AS THE WAR BROKE OUT AND RAN AWAY TO LI-JU. DURING THE WAR, PRINCE GWANGHAE STEADILY GAINED SUPPORT WHILE KING SEONJU'S POPULARITY PLUMMETED. TO KING SEONJU, PRINCE GWANGHAE WAS THE REASON WHY HIS AUTHORITY WAS UNDERMINED. KING SEONJU'S HATRED OF THE PRINCE GREW EVEN AFTER THE WAR.



THE KING DISTANCED HIMSELF FROM THE CROWN PRINCE AS MUCH AS HE COULD, GOING SO FAR AS TO TURN AWAY THE PRINCE WITHOUT SEEING HIM WHEN HE CAME TO PAY HIS RESPECTS. "WHY SHOULD I RECEIVE YOU WHEN YOU'RE NOT A CROWN PRINCE? YOUR STATUS AS THE CROWN PRINCE WAS ONLY TEMPORARY. DO NOT COME BACK HERE."

TWO YEARS AFTER THE QUEEN PASSED AWAY, KING SEONJO AT THE AGE OF 91 MARRIED A NINETEEN YEAR OLD GIRL WHO BECAME QUEEN INMOK.

FOUR YEARS LATER, WHEN THE QUEEN GAVE BIRTH TO GRAND PRINCE YEONGCHANG, PRINCE GWANGHAE'S POSITION BECAME EVEN MORE UNCERTAIN. THE KING DESIRED TO APPOINT PRINCE YEONGCHANG AS THE NEW CROWN PRINCE TO REPLACE PRINCE GWANGHAE AND EVERYONE THOUGHT THAT IT WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE PRINCE GWANGHAE WAS REPLACED. PRINCE GWANGHAE WOULD MOST LIKELY LOSE HIS LIFE IF HE WERE OUSTED. KING SEONJO, HOWEVER, PASSED AWAY BEFORE PRINCE YEONGCHANG BECAME OLD ENOUGH TO ASSUME THE DUTIES OF A CROWN PRINCE.

AFTER HE WAS ENTHRONED, PRINCE GWANGHAE WORKED HARD TO STABILIZE THE COUNTRY RAVAGED BY WAR, NORMALIZE FOREIGN RELATIONS AND CARRIED OUT MANY POLICIES TO AID THE PEOPLE. DESPITE ALL HIS EFFORTS, HOWEVER, KING GWANGHAE WAS NEVER SECURE IN HIS POSITION BECAUSE HIS FATHER, THE LATE KING NEVER ACKNOWLEDGED OR SUPPORTED HIM. WHEN KING REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE KING GWANGHAE, PRINCE INMOK THOUGHT HE HAD A CHANCE TO BECOME THE KING. HE MADE AN ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE WHILE UNDER HOUSE ARREST, AND WAS EXILED AS A RESULT. HE WAS ASSASSINATED IN EXILE. PRINCE YEONGCHANG ALSO MET THE SAME FATE. QUEEN INMOK'S FATHER AS WELL AS HER THREE BROTHERS WERE ALL KILLED DURING THIS STRUGGLE OVER THE THRONE. BUT THE BLOODSHED DID NOT END WITH THE ASSASSINATION OF PRINCE YEONGCHANG. QUEEN INMOK WAS STILL ALIVE AND THERE WAS NO POSSIBILITY OF RECONCILIATION BETWEEN THE QUEEN AND KING GWANGHAE WHO MURDERED HER ENTIRE FAMILY. IT WAS CLEAR THAT THEY COULD NOT EVEN CO-EXIST IN THE SAME PALACE. IN THE 10TH YEAR OF HIS REIGN KING GWANGHAE DEPOSED QUEEN MOTHER INMOK AND PLACED HER IN CONFINEMENT. IT WAS THE FIRST TIME IN CHOSUN HISTORY THAT THE QUEEN MOTHER WAS DEPOSED BY THE KING, HER SON BY BIRTH OR BY RANK.

SEO-IN, THE POLITICAL FACTION THAT LOST POWER WITH KING GWANGHAE'S ENTHRONMENT, GATHERED FORCE ONCE AGAIN USING THE DEPOSAL OF THE QUEEN MOTHER AS THE MORAL JUSTIFICATION FOR OPPOSING THE KING. IN THE 15TH YEAR OF KING GWANGHAE'S REIGN, SEO-IN ROSE UP IN COUP D'ETAT AGAINST THE KING, WITH HIS COUSIN PRINCE NEUNG-YANG AS THE NEXT KING. THE UPRISING WAS CALLED INJO-SANJEONG. YEARS LATER, IT WAS EVEN THEORIZED THAT KING GWANGHAE HAD POISONED HIS OWN FATHER, KING SEONJO. WE'LL NEVER KNOW WHETHER OR NOT IT WAS MERELY A THEORY PUT FORTH BY THOSE INTERESTED IN JUSTIFYING THE UPRISING, BUT THE STORY OF KING GWANGHAE'S LIFE FORCES US TO QUESTION IF POWER REALLY IS A BLESSING OR A CURSE.

STOP RIGHT THERE!





A  
MONSTER!



NO,  
MASTER  
CHIWOOL.  
HE IS NOT A  
MONSTER

HE IS  
THE STRONG  
BOUL, FIGHT  
FROM THE  
POSSIBLE  
AND LIVE  
YOUR BELIEF  
AND.



STAGE 27. Chiwoo's Suhyumoo





I...  
I KNOW,  
BUT I...



I STILL  
HAVE TO  
TRY!



CHWOO,  
THE SOUL  
HAS  
ALREADY  
DEPARTED  
THE BODY--  
YOU CANNOT  
SAVE IT.



UM, GYEOL,  
WHO IS THAT  
MAN?



AND WHY  
IS HE  
FOLLOWING  
US?



BUT  
THAT'S  
JUST ONE  
MAN. WHAT  
ABOUT THE  
ONES STILL  
ALIVE?



THOSE  
CAN BE  
SAVED.



THAT IS  
NOT A MAN, MASTER.  
HE IS KING JINGWANG\*,  
RULER OF THE  
DOSAN HELL\*



THEN I  
DON'T HAVE  
A SECOND  
TO SPARE!



HE JUDGES  
THE SINNERS  
AND LEADS THEM  
TO HELL.

\*DOSAN HELL: THE FIRST OF  
TEN HELLS WHICH APPEAR IN  
BUDDHIST TEACHING. THE  
SINNERS ARE FORCED ON TO A  
MOUNTAIN OF SWORDS WHICH  
PUNISH THEIR BODIES.

\*KING JINGWANG: THE RULER OF  
THE DOSAN HELL. SEVEN DAYS  
AFTER DEATH, ALL SOULS MUST  
STAND IN FRONT OF KING  
JINGWANG AND BE JUDGED.





PLEASE...  
I BEG YOU!  
SPARE THIS  
CHILD AT  
LEAST!



SHUT UP,  
NAG! I'LL DO  
WHAT I WANT!



HE  
OF  
GRIND



I CAN'T  
FORGIVE  
HIM! I  
WON'T!



ERRR  
...



MASTER  
CHINWOOD,  
YOU MUST  
PERFORM  
THE DANCE  
RIGHT  
AWAY!



WITHOUT  
THE SPIRIT  
OF  
FORGIVE-  
NESS,  
SINNERS  
CANNOT  
BE SAVED.



CAN I  
REALLY  
FORGIVE  
THAT?  
THOUGH?



THIS...THIS IS  
HIS SIN!



I...I FORGIVE...FORGIVE...FORGIVE...



WE ARE  
OUT OF  
TIME!

SRRR



A  
LITTLE



I JUST NEED A  
LITTLE MORE  
TIME!! I CAN  
FORGIVE HIM!  
I CAN SAVE  
HIS SOUL!









STAGE 28. One Heart

GYEOL!  
WHAT  
HAPPENED?  
DID I  
DO IT?



THANK YOU,  
MASTER  
CHWICO.



...P!



HIS  
BOW



THOUGH I DID  
NOT DESERVE IT,  
YOU SAVED ME  
FROM HELL.



WAIT...  
DOES THAT  
MEAN IT  
WORKED?



YOU'VE  
DONE WELL,  
MASTER.



NO.





NO. I DIDN'T DO  
WELL. I DON'T  
DESERVE YOUR  
GRATITUDE OR  
PRAISE.

HOW MANY  
MORE COULD I  
HAVE SAVED IF  
I'D OPENED MY  
EYES A LITTLE  
SOONER!



MASTER  
CHIWOO  
...



I'M ALL  
RIGHT,  
GYEOL!

"THE RIGHT TIME  
TO START IS WHEN  
YOU THINK IT'S  
TOO LATE." UNCLE  
WOL-BAEK TOLD  
ME THAT.



YES.



I WILL  
GUIDE THIS  
MAN TO THE  
AFTERLIFE.



THE GATES OF  
HELL HAVE CLOSED.  
THERE ARE NO MORE  
PRISONERS LEFT.  
PLEASE BE CAREFUL,  
MASTER CHIWOO.



I  
WILL  
BE.



쿠르  
KRRRR



THIS  
BUILDING  
IS ABOUT TO  
COLLAPSE



투 톱  
TUP TOK



자  
BANG  
BANG BANG  
자



THE EXIT  
HAS TO BE  
AROUND  
HERE SOME-  
WHERE...



WITH THE GATES OF HELL  
CLOSED, THERE CAN'T BE  
ANYMORE PRISONERS LEFT TO  
BE TAKEN...

THAT MEANS  
THIS MAN IS...



AAAAH  
...



WHAT WAS  
THAT? I HEARD  
SOMETHING...



WHO'S  
THERE?

ANYONE  
STILL  
ALIVE?



MISTER!  
THE BUILDING'S  
COMING DOWN.  
WE GOTTA GET  
OUT OF HERE!



PLEASE...  
PLEASE LET  
ME DIE IN YOUR  
HANDS...  
I'VE SEEN WHAT  
HAPPENED TO  
THE OTHER  
PRISONERS.

NOT YOU  
DON'T HAVE  
TO DIE  
HANDS BY  
THEIR  
THERE'S A  
DOCTOR  
WAITING  
JUST OUTSIDE



URRRR  
...



KWA

KWA



HOW, COULD  
ANYONE HAVE  
SURVIVED?



AAA



ESAD!  
WHAT IS  
THAT?



WHAT  
HAVE YOU  
DONE TO  
MY  
WOL-  
FANG  
AND  
HYA-  
NYAP?



I GUESS IT'S  
JUST YOU AND  
ME NOW.  
IL-MOK...

SAATCH  
TOK  
  
DON'T...  
DON'T COME  
ANY CLOSER!



I'VE  
SAVED THE  
WORST FOR  
YOU!



NO  
WAY!  
I WON'T  
GO DOWN  
LIKE A  
SITTING  
DUCK!



HAH! THEY  
CANNOT DIE BUT  
THEY CANNOT MOVE!  
I'VE PARALYZED  
THEM WITH MY  
ACUPUNCTURE  
NEEDLES. SINCE  
THEY'RE IMMORTAL,  
THEY'LL STAY  
FROZEN LIKE THAT  
FOREVER!

IMAGINE  
STAYING LIKE  
THAT FOR ALL  
ETERNITY!  
DON'T YOU  
FIND IT THE  
LEAST BIT  
AMUSING?



PANT

PANT



DID YOU THINK  
I WAS ANOTHER  
ONE OF YOUR  
PAWNS OR PREY?  
I AM A GREAT  
GENERAL...  
I AM FASTER  
THAN YOUR  
EYES CAN  
SEE!

SO,  
TELL  
ME...

비틀  
TREMBLE

WHAT ARE  
YOU?

WE WERE PRISONERS  
AWAITING EXECUTION.  
THE HEAVENLY  
EMPEROR PROMISED  
US EVERLASTING  
LIFE IN EXCHANGE  
FOR OUR  
DEATH.

WE  
DIDN'T  
MIND!  
WE WERE  
GOING  
TO DIE  
ANYWAY!

THEN YOU  
REVIVED  
US.

PANT

PANT

SINCE I DID  
NOT PARALYZE  
YOUR MOUTH...

WHAT?  
WHAT DO  
YOU WANT?  
I'LL TELL  
YOU!

PRISONERS  
AWAITING  
EXECUTION?  
THAT MEANS  
THE EMPEROR  
LIED TO ME!

WHY?

THAT'S  
ALL I  
KNOW!

PLEASE,  
DON'T  
KILL  
ME!

SO  
THEN,  
I CAN  
LIVE!

I TOLD  
YOU THAT  
YOU'LL GO  
BACK TO THE  
WAY YOU  
WERE...

HEH-HEH, AS  
SOON AS THIS  
WEARS OFF, I'LL  
TWIST YOUR  
NECK!

DON'T WORRY.  
YOU'LL SOON  
GO BACK TO  
THE WAY YOU  
WERE.



YOU'RE  
SUPPOSED  
TO BE DEAD  
IN THE FIRST  
PLACE



THERE YOU  
ARE!



WHAT  
DO YOU  
NEED?



I'LL FILL YOU  
IN LATER.  
JUST  
FOLLOW  
ME!



YI-YUN!

WHERE ARE  
YOU? I NEED  
HELP!



CHWOOP



HELP HIM,  
PLEASE!



MISTER,  
HE'S A  
DOCTOR.  
YOU'RE  
SAVED  
NOW!



I CAUSED  
MY FRIEND'S DEATH.  
IT WASN'T INTEN-  
TIONAL BUT...

HOW CAN I  
BEG FOR MY LIFE OR  
FORGIVENESS?



THAT'S  
WHY YOU MUST  
LIVE! LIVE TO  
PAY FOR YOUR  
SINS! YOU CAN  
TAKE CARE  
OF YOUR  
FRIEND'S  
FAMILY AND  
OTHERS LIKE  
THEM!

I'M SURE  
THAT'S WHAT  
YOUR FRIEND  
WOULD HAVE  
WANTED!

BE  
STRONG,  
MISTER!



DON'T  
JUST  
STAND  
THERE  
YI-YUN!



CHIWOO, I  
NEED CLEAN  
WATER...



STAGE 29: Responsibility for Action



HE'S OUT  
OF THE WOODS  
FOR NOW.



HE  
SHOULD  
GET  
SOME  
REST.



OH. STOP.  
I DID WHAT I  
COULD.



I  
ENVY  
YOU.



MY  
GOOD-  
NESS!  
WHY?



WHEW.  
THAT'S GOOD  
TO HEAR.



IF I HAD BEEN  
BORN THE SON OF  
A DOCTOR, WOULD  
I HAVE BECOME  
SOMEONE LIKE YOU?  
SOMEONE WHO  
SAVES LIVES?

WHAT ON  
EARTH ARE  
YOU TALKING  
ABOUT?



YI-YUN...  
THANK YOU...  
FOR EVERY-  
THING.



I HAD  
NO IDEA YOU  
WERE SUCH A  
TALENTED  
DOCTOR!



I EXECUTED  
A PRISONER  
TODAY.



SAY THAT AGAIN!



HOW COULD YOU TALK TO ME ABOUT FAITH, CONVICTION, STRENGTH BLAH, BLAH WHILE YOU ACT AGAINST ALL OF THAT?



HOW CAN YOU BE SO CALM... SO PROUD AFTER KILLING A MAN?



I GUESS THE EMPEROR WAS RIGHT AFTER ALL.



ARE YOU TELLING ME YOU KILLED A MAN?



YES!



GNASH



I SHOULDN'T HAVE TRUSTED A FILTHY MANGNANI LIKE YOU!



I'M READY TO TAKE ON MY RESPONSIBILITIES.



WHAT?



THROW



SRRR



TELL ME!



I'VE BEEN THROUGH SO MUCH IN THE LAST MONTH.

REGARDLESS OF WHETHER I WANTED TO OR NOT, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER IT WAS RIGHT OR WRONG, I GOT INVOLVED IN OTHER PEOPLE'S LIVES...



EVERYONE FEELS THAT WAY SOMETIMES, SURE.

BUT IT'S A GREAT BURDEN TO ME REGARDLESS.



I DON'T THINK I COULD BEAR IT IF MY DECISION TO TURN MY BACK ON MY DESTINY AND REFUSE MY RESPONSIBILITIES AS A MANGNANI CAUSED HARM TO OTHER PEOPLE.



STOP TWADDLING!

WHATEVER  
HORRORS ARE A  
RESULT OF MY  
DECISION TO  
BECOME A  
MAGISTRATE  
WILL BE MY  
RESPON-  
SIBILITY.

FLY  
FAR

I'LL SHOULD  
ALL OF THE  
BLAME...

GRAB

DOCTOR!  
DON'T HURT  
HIM! HE'S  
MY SAVIOR!

LET  
ME  
GO.

I DON'T  
KNOW WHY HE  
SAVED YOU.  
BUT HE KILLED  
THE OTHER  
PRISONER...

BUT  
YI-YUN,  
WHAT'RE YOU  
GOING TO  
DO?

WHETHER YOU  
INTENDED IT OR NOT,  
PEOPLE DIED HERE  
TODAY BECAUSE OF  
YOUR ACTIONS.

ARE YOU  
READY TO  
TAKE THE  
RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR THEIR  
DEATHS?

PANG

HE IS NOT A  
SAVIOR! HE IS  
A MURDERER!

NO,  
DOCTOR!  
YOU'RE  
MISTAKEN!  
YOU DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT IT  
WAS LIKE  
IN THERE!

THE OTHER  
PRISONER...HE WAS  
ALREADY BEYOND  
HELP...HE WAS GOING  
TO DIE...BUT MASTER  
CHINWOOD EXECUTED  
HIM SO THAT AT LEAST  
HIS SOUL COULD BE  
SAVED FROM HELL!

YOU MUST  
HAVE BEEN  
DELIRIOUS.

TOK TOK NO!

I CANNOT BEAR  
TO WATCH MY  
SAVIORS FIGHT  
EACH OTHER TO  
DEATH!

STAND  
ASIDE.

I OWE MY  
LIFE TO  
YOU, AS  
WELL AS  
MASTER  
CHINWOOD.

NO,  
I WILL  
NOT!

IF YOU MUST  
KILL HIM, KILL  
ME FIRST!

WHIRLICK!

I LIVE  
FOR  
REVENGE  
ONLY.



I KNOW  
NOTHING  
ABOUT  
RESPONSIBILITIES.



I'LL WAIT FOR  
YOU THERE,  
CHIWOO!

THERE'S  
ONLY ONE WEEK  
LEFT BEFORE THE  
MONTH IS UP.  
CHIWOO.



AND IT'LL TAKE  
YOU THREE DAYS TO  
REACH THE PLACE  
WHERE WOL-BAEK  
IS.



WHEN WE  
MEET AGAIN,  
I'LL ASK YOU  
ABOUT YOUR  
RESPONSIBILITIES  
ALONG  
WITH YOUR  
FATHER'S.









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